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Zoning and Neighborhood Plan Amendments (Public Hearings and Possible Action)
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

**ITEM No. 147** 

**Subject:** C814-01-0096(RCT) - Prominent Pointe II Restrictive Covenant Termination - Conduct a public hearing and approve a restrictive covenant termination for property locally known as 5401, 5405, and 5505 Bluffstone Lane (Bull Creek Watershed). Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To approve the restrictive covenant termination. Applicant: Spicewood Springs Associates and Prominent Northpoint, L.P. (Mark McAllister). Agent: Armbrust & Brown, L.L.P. (Amanda Morrow). City Staff: Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057.

#### Additional Backup Material

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- ☐ Staff Report
- D Restrictive Covenant Termination

For More Information:

#### RESTRICTIVE COVENANT TERMINATION REVIEW SHEET

<u>CASE</u>: C814-01-0096(RCT) <u>Z.A.P. DATE</u>: June 20, 2006

ADDRESS: 5401, 5405, and 5505 Bluffstone Lane

OWNER/APPLICANT: Spicewood Springs Associates and Prominent Northpoint, L.P.

(Mark McAllister)

**AGENT:** Armbrust & Brown, L.L.P. (Amanda Morrow)

**ZONING:** PUD **AREA:** 3.767 acres

### SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The staff recommends the applicant's request to terminate the restrictive covenant to eliminate the restrictions placed upon the property in question.

#### ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION:

6/20/06: Approved staff recommendation for restrictive covenant termination by consent (7-0, S. Hale, J. Gohil-absent); J. Martinez-1<sup>st</sup>, M. Hawthorne-2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:**

The applicant is requesting to terminate the public restrictive covenant for this property (Attachment A) that limits the height of buildings constructed in the area at the northwestern tip of the Property to one-story; that prohibits gas station use on the Property; that states that once a surgery center use has been established on the property and then such use ceases for more than 90 days, then no 24-hour emergency clinic with ambulance access shall be permitted on the Property; which states that any emergency services uses will be limited to the medical office and surgery center; and that limits the height of buildings constructed in the area at the southeastern tip of Property to two stories.

The staff recommends the applicant's request to terminate the restrictive covenant because the intent of the covenant in no longer viable. The property in question is part of an application for the proposed Prominent Pointe II PUD. In the PUD request, the applicant is seeking to provide a unified office development on the site that will utilize existing and proposed office buildings. The applicant plans to develop a new office building paralleling the northwestern edge of the tract, along with a parking garage that will be constructed between the existing and new building. The proposed parking garage will provide parking for the overall development and will allow for a majority of the existing surface parking to be removed. The applicant proposes to place new improvements on the property in a way to minimize adverse impacts to the natural character of the property and to screen new structures from the Hill Country Roadway and from the existing neighborhood to the east (along Bluffstone Lane). The applicant is requesting some environmental modifications to the Land Development Code through this application that they have proposed to offset by providing an overall decrease in impervious cover for the site by approximately 0.6 acres, providing current water quality controls, dedicating a 7.5 acres conservation/preserve area to the City, removing much of the existing development in the CWOZ and WOTZ and Hill Country Roadway Corridor, restoring many previously disturbed areas with to a natural state with tree planting and revegetation, and by providing a 50-foot setback for the rimrock CEF which is currently unprotected. In addition, the applicant has

asked for Hill Country Roadway Bonuses through the PUD application to increase the allowable height in a moderate intensity zone of the Hill Country Roadway corridor to reduce overall impervious cover for the project.

The staff supports the proposed PUD request because it will allow the applicant to create a superior development on a tract of land that has topographical constraints. The proposed PUD will the reduce impervious cover amounts that were approved through the Prominent Point Tract and Bluffstone PUD developments by approximately 19% by removing surface parking area and constructing a parking garage on the site. The proposed development places the new building and parking garage along the western boundary of the property to allow a natural area to provide screening of structures on the site from Bluffstone Lane. In the new PUD, the applicant will provide water quality control meeting the current water quality requirements for water quality and detention. The Prominent Point II PUD development will remove parking that is currently located within the 100-foot Hill Country Roadway buffer and will restore this area to its natural condition. In addition, the developer will include the 40% buffer zone for the entire combined development and will dedicate the 7.5 acres Great Hill Phase "B" Tract as preserve/conservation area. The proposed PUD will also reduce the number of approved access points approved for the Prominent Point Tract and Bluffstone Tracts. Currently, there is one existing access driveway onto Loop 360 (Capital of Texas Highway) and one existing access driveway onto Bluffstone Lane. The approved Bluffstone PUD permitted two additional drives onto Bluffstone Lane. However, in this rezoning the applicant is requesting only one additional driveway access onto Bluffstone Lane. Finally, in the proposed PUD the applicant will provide trail access across the north and south edges of the site to permit the surrounding neighborhoods to have access to the Bull Creek trailways through the project. The applicant proposes to improve the dead end area of Bluffstone Lane by providing curb and gutter, as well as large boulders or other obstructions to prevent unauthorized access and dumping that currently serves as a detraction for the neighborhood.

Therefore, the staff recommends the termination of this public restrictive covenant to allow the applicant to clear the title to the property in question. The conditions of the restrictive covenant under consideration will no longer be viable if the proposed rezoning for this property to PUD is approved by the Zoning and Platting Commission and City Council. The Prominent Point II PUD development that is proposed for this tract of land will provide superior use of the property in question than what was limited through the restrictive covenant in question.

The applicant agrees with the staff's recommendation.

#### **EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:**

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	PUD (Bluffstone PUD)	Undeveloped
North	SF-2-CO, LR, LO	Single-Family Residences, Undeveloped Tract, Professional/Medical Office uses
South	LO, GR	Office Uses
East	LO, GR-CO	Professional/Medical Office uses, Undeveloped Tract
West	I-RR	Bull Creek Watershed

AREA STUDY: N/A TIA: N/A

WATERSHED: Bull Creek DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

#### CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: N/A

#### **HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY:** Yes

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**

- 46 North Oaks Neighborhood Association
- 53 Northwest Austin Civic Association
- 157 Courtyard Homeowner Association
- 184 Bull Creek Homeowners Association
- 328 Yaupon Bluffs Community Association
- 413 Austin Great Hills Homeowners Association, Inc.
- 426 River Place Residential Community Association, Inc.
- 439 Concerned Citizens For P & B of FM 2222
- 475 Bull Creek Foundation
- 511 Austin Neighborhoods Council
- 742 Austin Independent School District
- 747 Great Hills Homeowner Association
- 965 Old Spicewood Springs Road Neighborhood Association

#### **CASE HISTORIES:**

NUMBER	REQUEST	COMMISSION	CITY COUNCIL
C814-01-0096	GR, LR to PUD	12/04/01: Approved staff's recommendation of PUD zoning by consent (8-0, M. Casias-absent)	1/17/02: Approved PUD on 3 readings (6-0, Wynn out of room)
C14-97-0100	SF-2 to GR	Approved GR-CO allowing only certain uses (7-0)	Approved GR-CO & RR for floodplain w/conditions (7-0), subject to 25% maximum impervious cover; 1 <sup>st</sup> reading
			Approved GR-CO & RR w/ conditions (7-0); 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> readings
C14-97-0098	SF-6 to SF-2	Approved staff rec. of SF-2 (7-0)	Approved SF-2-CO w/ conditions (7-0), subject to 25% maximum impervious cover; 1 <sup>st</sup> reading
		·	Approved SF-2-CO w/cond. (7-0); 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> readings
C14r-86-045	TR1: SF-2, DR to LR TR2: SF-2, DR to GR	Approved LR (TR1) and GR (TR2), subject to conditions (9-0)	Approved LR, GR (6-0); 1 <sup>st</sup> reading  Approved LR, GR; 2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> readings
C14r-86-044	SF-2, DR to LO	Approved LO (7-2)	Approved LO

RELATED CASES: C814-01-0096 - Zoning Case (Bluffstone PUD)

C14r-86-045 - Zoning Site Plan

# ABUTTING STREETS:

NAME	ROW	PAVEMENT	CLASSIFICATION	DAILY TRAFFIC
Bluffstone Drive	90'	Varies	Collector	N/A

**CITY COUNCIL DATE:** July 27, 2006

**ACTION**:

**ORDINANCE READINGS:** 1st

2<sup>nd</sup>

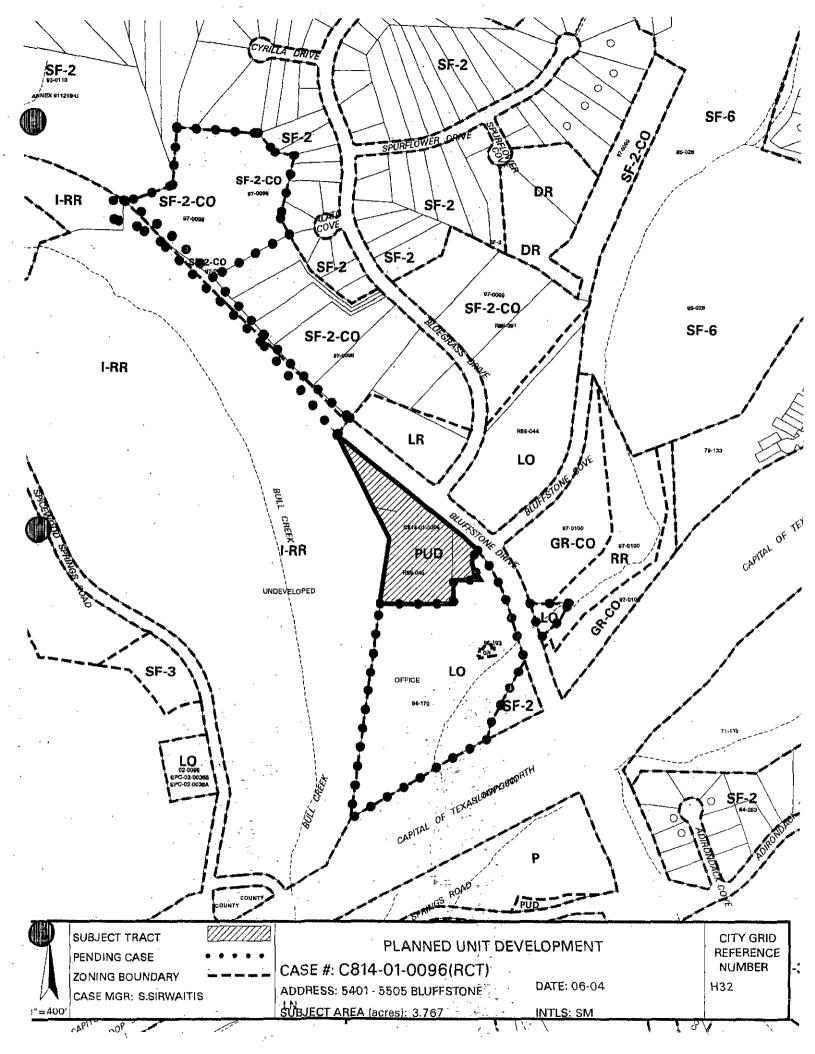
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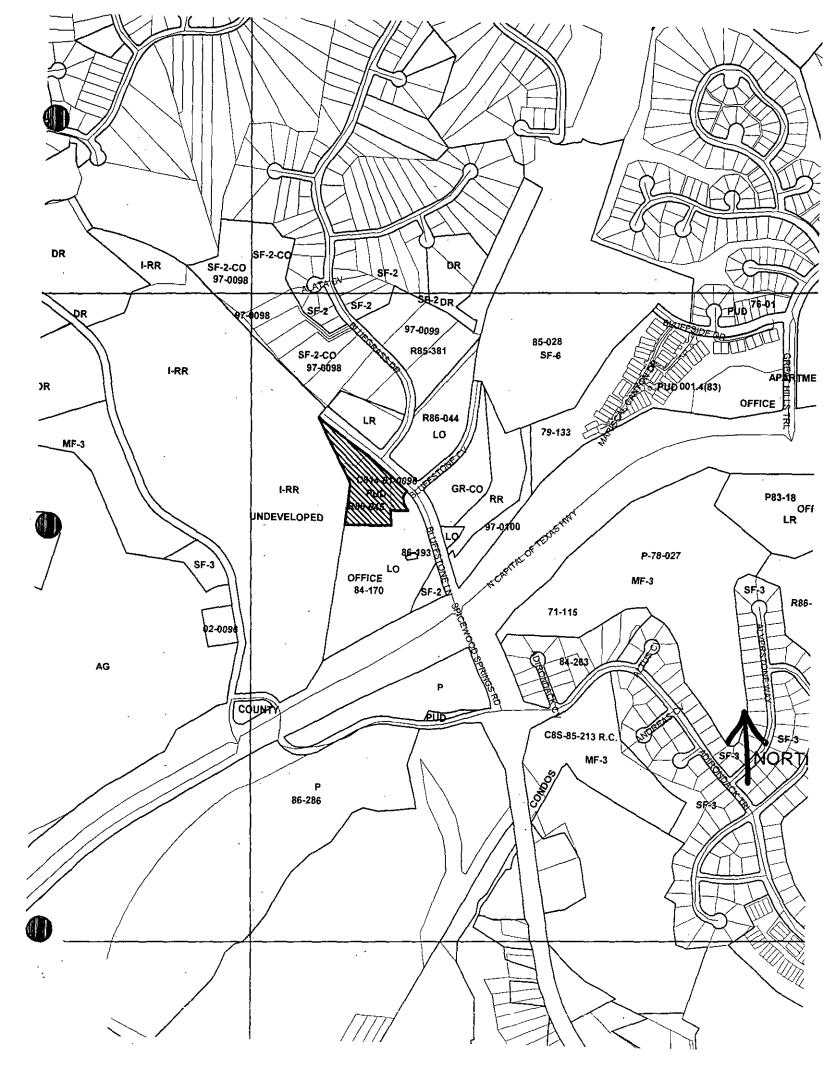
**ORDINANCE NUMBER:** 

**CASE MANAGER:** Sherri Sirwaitis

**PHONE:** 974-3057,

sherri.sirwaitis@ci.austin.tx.us







10. Resrictive

C814-01-0096(RCT) - Prominent Pointe II

Covenant

Termination:

Location:

5401-5505 Bluffstone Lane, Bull Creek Watershed

Owner/Applicant:

Spicewood Springs Associates and Prominent Northpoint, L.P. (Mark

McAllister)

Agent:

Armbrust & Brown, L.L.P. (Amanda Morrow)

Request:

Restrictive Covenant Termination

Staff Rec.:

Recommended

Staff:

Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057, sherri.sirwaitis@ci.austin.tx.us

Neighborhood Planning & Zoning Department

APPROVED STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR RESTRICTIVE COVENANT TERMINATION: BY CONSENT. [J.MARTINEZ, M.HAWTHORNE 2<sup>ND</sup>] (7-0) J.GOHIL, S.HALE – ABSENT

11. Restrictive

C14R-86-193(RCT) - Prominent Pointe II

Covenant Termination:

Location:

8310 North Capital of Texas Highway, Bull Creek Watershed

Owner/Applicant:

Spicewood Springs Associates and Prominent Northpoint, L.P. (Mark

McAllister)

Agent:

Armbrust & Brown, L.L.P. (Amanda Morrow)

Request:

Restrictive Covenant Termination

Staff Rec.:

Recommended

Staff:

Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057, sherri.sirwaitis@ci.austin.tx.us

Neighborhood Planning & Zoning Department

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12. Rezoning:

C14-06-0070 - Lakes at Northtown Tract 1

Location:

East Howard Lane, Harris Branch Watershed Owner/Applicant: NWC Howard and I-35, Ltd. (John Needham)

Agent:

Longaro & Clarke, L.P. (Alex Clarke)

Request:

LI-CO to SF-2

Staff Rec.:

Not Recommended

Staff:

Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057; sherri.sirwaitis@ci.austin.tx.us

Neighborhood Planning & Zoning Department

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Facilitator: Amy Link, 974-2628.

City Attorney: Holly Noelke, 974-2179; Mitzi Cotton, 974-2179

### ARMBRUST & BROWN, L.L.P.

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS

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AMANDA L. MORROW (512)435-2368 AMORROW@ABUASTIN.COM

March 31, 2006

Joe Pantalion Director Watershed Protection & Development Review 505 Barton Springs Road Austin, Texas 78701

Re:

5401, 5405, 5505 Bluffstone Lane Restrictive Covenant Termination for property legally described as Lots 1-3 of the Great Hills Village III subdivision, Travis County, according to Plat Book 87, Page 111B-C ("Restrictive Covenant Termination") application

#### Dear Mr. Pantalion:

This firm represents and I am writing this letter on behalf of the Applicant in the above-referenced application. It is my client's intent to terminate the existing restrictive covenant that governs the above mentioned property. Currently, a rezoning application is on file with the City of Austin under case number C814-06-0054. The purpose of the zoning application is to rezone the properties at 5401, 5405, 5505 Bluffstone Lane and 8310 North Capitol of Texas Highway from PUD/LO/GR/ to PUD to allow a project which will cover all of the properties. The PUD proposes to combine the existing office development with a proposed office building and parking garage to provide a single unified development which will be superior to existing development regulations.

A copy of the existing restrictive covenant recorded in Document 2002035918 has been attached for your review. The existing restrictive covenant was prepared in conjunction with previous zoning case C814-01-0096, which limited the height to one and two story buildings. By terminating the restrictive covenant, it will allow the flexibility to increase the overall height of the development.

## ARMBRUST & BROWN, L.L.P.

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Should you have any questions, comments or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at (512) 435-2368.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda L.Morrów

Land Development Consultant

Attachment

cc: Sherri Sirwaitis

"Attachment A"

TRV 2002035918

### RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS

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WHEREAS, the undersigned (collectively, "Owner") is the owner of the approximately 3.767-acre tract of land situated in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, which is the subject of City of Austin Zoning Change Case No. C814-01-0096, and being more particularly described as Lots 1-3, Great Hills Village III, a subdivision in Austin, Texas, according to the map or plat recorded in Book 87, Page 111 B-C, Plat Records, Travis County, Texas (collectively, the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Owner and/or Owner's agents, assignees, or transferees, currently intend to develop a medical office and surgery center project (the "Project") on the Property; and

WHEREAS, Owner wants to impress the Property with certain covenants and restrictions that will run with the land.

NOW, THEREFORE, Owner, for good and valuable consideration, hereby agrees that the Property should be impressed with certain restrictions, such restrictions to be deemed and considered as a covenant running with the land, and which shall be binding on it, its successors and assigns, as follows, to wit:

- 1. Any building constructed in the Building No.2 Envelope Area, as shown on the Land Use Plan for the Property attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, which area is located at the northwestern tip of the Property, shall not exceed one story above ground.
- 2. No gas station use will be permitted on the Property.
- 3. Once a surgery center use has been established on the Property, and then such use ceases for more than ninety (90) days, no 24-hour emergency clinic use with ambulance access will be permitted on the Property.
- 4. Any emergency services use available on the Property will be limited to no more than that level of such services as are necessary for acquiring and maintaining the licenses necessary for operation of a medical office and surgery center.
- 5. Any building constructed in the Building No.1 Envelope Area, as shown on the Land Use Plan for the Property attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, which area is located at the southeastern tip of the Property, shall not exceed two stories above ground.

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These restrictive covenants may be modified, amended, or terminated only by joint action of (i) the owner(s) of at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the Property at the time of such modification, amendment or termination, and (ii) a majority of the members of the Austin City Council at the time of such modification, amendment or termination.

EXECUTED to be effective on <u>Feb 21</u>, 2002.

OWNER:

The Jomar Joseph Partners, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership

By:

its general partner

By: Margarie foreph Name: MAR JORIE Joseph Title: General Jackner

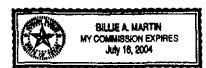
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This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the 21 day of February 2002, by Marior & Joseph of Jones Toxon for the Jones the general partner of The Jonar Joseph Partners, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of the partnership.



Notary Public, State of Texas

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Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, Travis County,
Texas, do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy as same appears of record in my office.
Witness my hand and seal of office on



ana DeBeauuri, County Clerk

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# Spicewood Springs Joint Venture,

a Texas joint venture

By:

Sage Land Company

a Texas corporation

Name Tetel A

Date: Q

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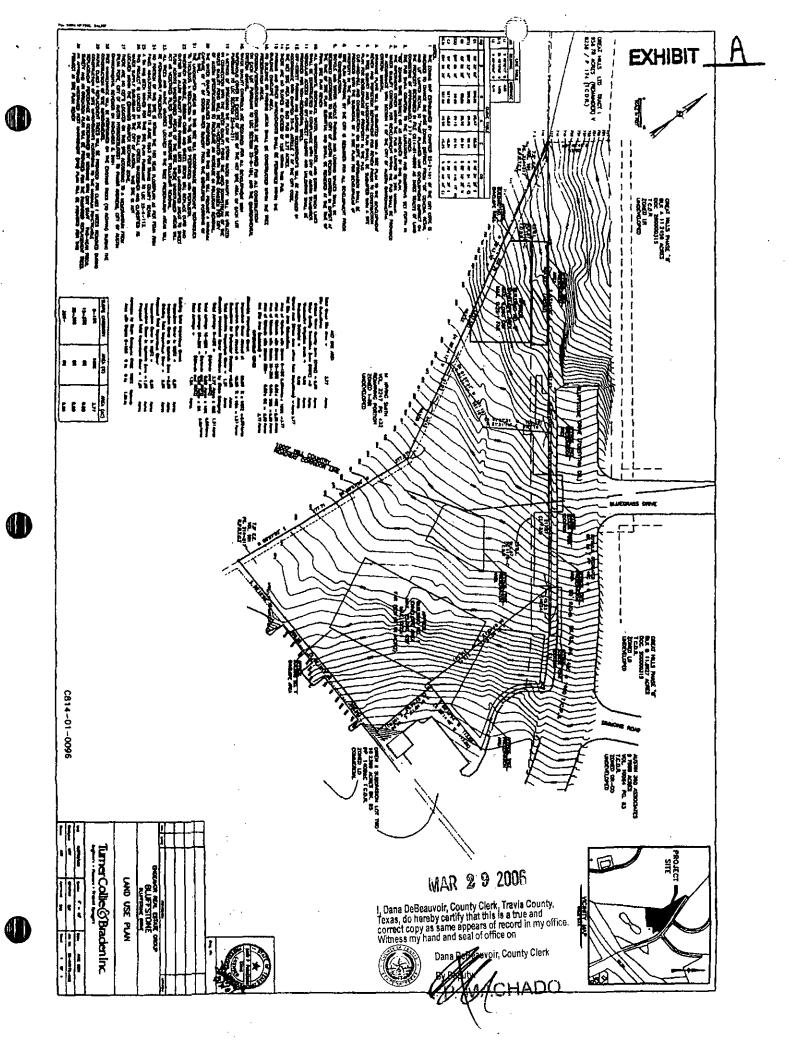
I, Dana DeBeauvolr, County Clerk, Travis County, Texas, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy as same appears of record in my office. Witness my hand and seal of office on



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I Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, Travis County, Texas, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy as same appears of record in my office.

Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk

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# TERMINATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANT **ZONING CASE:** C814-01-0096

OWNER:

Prominent Northpoint, L.P., a Texas limited partnership

ADDRESS:

901 Mopac Expressway South, Bldg. One, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78746

CITY:

The City of Austin, a home-rule city, municipal corporation and political

subdivision of the State of Texas, in Travis County, Texas.

CITY COUNCIL:

The City Council of the City of Austin.

CONSIDERATION: Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable

consideration paid by the City of Austin to the Owner, the receipt and

sufficiency of which is acknowledged.

WHEREAS, The Jomar Joseph Partners, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership and Spicewood Springs Joint Venture, a Texas joint venture, as owners of all that certain property described in Zoning Case No. C814-01-0096, consisting of approximately 3.767 acres of land out of Great Hills Village III Subdivision, Travis County (the "Property"), as more particularly described in the restrictive covenant recorded in the Real Property Records of Travis County, Texas, in Document No. 2002035918 (the "Restrictive Covenant"), imposed certain restrictions and covenants on the Property by the Restrictive Covenant of record; and,

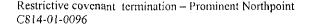
WHEREAS, the Restrictive Covenant provided that the covenant could be modified, amended, or terminated by joint action of both a majority of the members of the City Council and the Owner of the Property at the time of such modification, amendment or termination; and,

WHEREAS, Prominent Northpoint, L.P., a Texas limited partnership, as sole and current owner of the Property, now desires to terminate the Restrictive Covenant; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council and the Owner, agree the Restrictive Covenant should be terminated:

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and mutual promises, covenants, and agreements set forth in this covenant, the City of Austin and the Owner agree as follows:

- 1. The Restrictive Covenant is terminated by this termination. Each and every one of the terms, conditions, and provisions of the Restrictive Covenant, as set forth in the Restrictive Covenant, shall have no force or effect on and after the effective date of this termination.
- 2. The City Manager, or her designee, shall execute, on behalf of the City, this Termination of Restrictive Covenant for Zoning Case No. C814-01-0096 (the "Termination of Restrictive Covenant") as authorized by the City Council of the City of Austin. This Termination of Restrictive Covenant shall be filed in the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, which will terminate the document of record in Document No. 2002035918, Official Public Records, Travis County, Texas.



EXECUTED this the	day of	, 2006.
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	Pron a Te	ninent Northpoint, L.P., xas limited partnership
	By:	Aspen Growth Properties, Inc., a Texas corporation, its General Partner
		By:  Mark McAllister,  President
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	CITY	Y OF AUSTIN:
	Ву:	Laura J. Huffman, Assistant City Manager City of Austin
THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	
COUNTY OF TRAVIS	§	
This instrument was acknow 2006, by Mark McAllister, Preside general partner of Prominent Nort corporation and limited partnership.	ent of Aspen hpoint, L.P.,	me on this the day of, Growth Properties, Inc., a Texas corporation, a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of the

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§
COUNTY OF TRAVIS	§

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2006, by Laura J. Huffman, as Assistant City Manager of the City of Austin, a municipal corporation, on behalf of the municipal corporation.

Notary Public, State of Texas

After Recording, Please Return to: City of Austin Department of Law P. O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767 Attention: Diana Minter, Paralegal